

GRAFFITI IS NOT ART.

Graffiti is a CRIME.



NOTICE OF CODE VIOLATION

The swift removal or painting over of graffiti in combination with criminal prosecution of the persons who cause it is the most effective way of combating this very serious problem!

Unfortunately, the City has observed that graffiti is present on your property at the address and location listed below. Section 9.20.055(A) of the Chula Vista Municipal Code ("CVMC") requires an owner or occupant to remove graffiti within 48 hours after it appears. Graffiti is considered "removed" when the affected area is covered by paint of a similar shade and color to the underlying surface. If the graffiti is on glass, or some other material which can be scraped (without damaging it), the graffiti must be removed and not painted over.

Property Address: _____

Graffiti Located on: _____

Date / Time Observed: _____ Observed by: _____

It is important to note that the existence of graffiti within the City limits is a public and private nuisance. Therefore, the City may utilize the administrative enforcement and abatement provisions found in CVMC Title 1 (e.g., citations, civil penalties, abatement, etc.) to gain compliance with the law.

Alternatively, the City has the right to enter onto your property and remove graffiti without your consent, if you do not remove the graffiti within 48 hours of being served with this notice. CVMC § 9.20.055(B). Note: You may protest the City's right to enter and abate by requesting a meeting with City officials within 48 hours. CVMC § 9.20.055 (B)(2)(f). The request may be made by telephone (619) 397-6037, fax (619) 397-6259, mail or in person to Public Works Center, 1800 Maxwell Road Chula Vista, CA 91911.

Help Keep Your Property Graffiti-Free

To help ensure your property is kept graffiti-free you can sign the consent form and release of liability below. This will allow City crews, at no cost to you, to enter onto your property and remove graffiti (during normal business hours). Note: The consent form will remain on file with the City, and if taggers strike again, the City will be able to take immediate action.

To report the crime of graffiti on your property, please call the City's graffiti hotline at (619) 691-5198.

GRAFFITI REMOVAL CONSENT FORM / RELEASE OF LIABILITY

I, THE UNDERSIGNED RESPONSIBLE PARTY (i.e., owner, tenant or agent for the property owner), of the real property located at:

_____, in Chula Vista, California, do hereby authorize the City of Chula Vista and/or its agent/contractor to enter upon my property, now and in the future, to paint over or remove graffiti (until this consent is revoked).

I understand that the methods used to remove graffiti may include, but are not limited to, chemical solvents, steam-cleaning, and pressure washing.

I further understand that the City will attempt to cover graffiti with paint that is of a similar shade and color to the underlying surface.

Release

As consideration for the City of Chula Vista ("the City") covering/removing graffiti that is defacing my property, or the property I am in possession of but do not necessarily own (collectively referred as "my property"), I hereby agree that I, my assignees, principals, heirs, distributees, guardians, and legal representatives will not make a claim against or sue the City, its employees, agents, or contractors on account of injury or damage caused by the negligence or other acts, howsoever caused, by that individual's or entity's attempts to cover/remove the graffiti on my property. Furthermore, I hereby release the City from all actions, claims, or demands that I, my assignees, principals, heirs, distributees, guardians, and legal representatives now have or may hereafter have for injury or damage resulting from the City's graffiti removal efforts.

Knowing and Voluntary Execution

I have carefully read this release and fully understand its contents. I am aware that this is a release of liability and a contract between me and the city and sign it of my own free will.

Date: _____ Signature of Responsible Party: _____

Name of Responsible Party (please print): _____ Phone: _____

Name of Property Owner (if different from above): _____

How to Return this Form to the City

Fill out, sign and date the form; then mail, fax or deliver the form to:
Public Works Operations Department, 1800 Maxwell Road, Chula Vista, CA 91911 • Fax: 619.397.6259

White Copy: Public Works Operations Department • **Yellow Copy:** Resident or Business Owner